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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

The above identified applicant respectfully requests the Commissioner of Patents consider the enclosed remarks and enter the following submission into the record, in response to the Examiner's Office Action dated November 21, 2003. Reconsideration in light of this submission is respectfully requested. If the Examiner requires additional action that may benefit from a telephone call, Applicant invites a call to its attorney of record, John Smith T (Reg. No. 39,840). E-mail correspondence and transactions to ismitht@bradleyarant.com are authorized and encouraged.

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.

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A Certificate of Transmission is attached as Page 9 of this paper.